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- 1. **AUTHORITY.** To approve grants and cooperative agreements for states, local governments, other public agencies, federally recognized tribal entities, universities, colleges, and nonprofit private agencies, institutions, or organizations to establish, expand, or research innovative environmental information systems or data management programs as authorized under the following:
 - a. Clean Water Act, Section 104(b)(3);
 - b. Clean Air Act, Section 103(b)(3);
 - c. Solid Waste Disposal Act, Section 8001;
 - d. Toxic Substances Control Act, Section 10;
 - e. Safe Drinking Water Act, Section 1442;
 - f. Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, Section 20;
 - g. Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, Section 311(c); and
 - h. Marine Protection Research and Sanctuaries Act, Section 203.

2. TO WHOM DELEGATED.

- a. Associate deputy regional administrator, Office of the Regional Administrator;
- b. Director, Air and Radiation Division;
- c. Director, Land, Chemical and Redevelopment Division;
- d. Director, Superfund and Emergency Management Division;
- e. Director, Water Division.
- 3. **LIMITATIONS.** None.

4. REDELEGATION AUTHORITY.

- a. This authority may not be redelegated further.
- b. An official who redelegates an authority retains the right to exercise or withdraw the authority. Redelegated authority may be exercised by any official in the chain of command down to the official to whom it has been specifically redelegated.

5. ADDITIONAL REFERENCES.

a. 40 C.F.R. Chapter 1, Subchapter B, which provides EPA's regulations on Grants and Other Federal Assistance, including 40 C.F.R. Parts 33, 40, and 45.

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- b. 2 C.F.R. Part 200, OMB Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards; and 2 C.F.R. Part 1500, EPA's adoption and supplementation of the OMB uniform award requirements.
- c. Federal Grant and Cooperative Agreement Act of 1977, P.L. No. 95-224, as amended, 31 U.S.C. §6301 et seq.
- d. EPA Order series 5700, which provides EPA policies regarding assistance agreements.
- e. Delegation 1-14-A, Assistance Agreements, which delegates to the officials in the Mission Support Division the authority to take all necessary actions to award, obligate and de-obligate funds for, and administer fellowship, grant, cooperative and loan agreements, and to make any final determinations required by law or regulations, with eligible recipients.

Debra H. Thomas
Acting Regional Administrator

Date